

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

December 4, 2014

5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

Present: Mayor James Calnon, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Dale Dowdle (W3), Paul O'Connell (W4), Becky Kasper (W5), Joshua Kretser (W6)

Absent:

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on November 20, 2014 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the weeks ending November 26, 2014 in the amount of **\$ 344,061.17** and December 3, 2014 in the amount of **\$ _____** are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the weeks of November 6 – December 3, 2014
- Report from the Building Inspector's office December 1, 2014
- Report from Mayor Calnon on the Board of Ethics

RESOLVED: That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

4. CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLVED: That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the weeks ending November 28, 2014 in the amount of \$ 1,407,568.06 and December 5, 2014 in the amount of \$ _____ are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL:

7. OTHER ITEMS:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves scheduling Committee on Open Government Training.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

B. Whereas, the City of Plattsburgh Common Council recognizes and honors the dedication and sacrifices of the many men and women of this community who have served in the armed forces, **be it resolved,** that the bridge spanning the Saranac River in downtown Plattsburgh, otherwise known as Bridge Street Bridge, is hereby re-named "Veterans' Bridge."

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to revise the 2014 General Fund budget with a combined transfer of \$13,116 from the Assessment Regular Payroll line and the NY State Retirement line to the Assessment Contract Services line to provide for unbudgeted Article 7 legal costs needed for property tax grievances for various properties within the City.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

D. SEQR FINDINGS ON LOCAL LAW P-3 OF 2014: AMENDING AND RESTATING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 270, SECTION 26 OF THE CITY CODE

The Common Council determines that Local Law P-3 of 2014 is an Unlisted Action and has reviewed the Short Form EAF and hereby finds the adoption of Local Law P-3 will not have any significant adverse environmental impacts.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

E. ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW P-3 OF 2014

RESOLVED: Local Law P-3 of 2014 amending and restating in its entirety Chapter 270, Section 26 of the City Code of the City of Plattsburgh. The entire text of which has been distributed to and read by the members of the Common Council, is hereby enacted without the reading thereof and a copy of said local law is made part of the minutes of this meeting.

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

F. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves a request from Rabbi Avrohom Rimler to have a holiday display on City Hall grounds.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

G. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Superintendent of Recreation to spend \$1,000 to advertise for the Promotions and Special Events Coordinator position.

By Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted _____ Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____ Tabled _____

Follow up Action:

8. TRAVEL REQUEST: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

1. Request from Councilor O'Connell to rename South Platt Little League Field to Gerald Burdo Field.
2. Request from the City Chamberlain to transfer \$5,000 from Finance Contract Services to Capital Fund Transfers within the 2014 General Fund Budget to provide for asbestos inspection and analysis costs for the City's property at 40 Bridge Street.
3. Request from the City Chamberlain to revise capital project H5110.47 40 Bridge Street Remediation to provide for asbestos inspection and analysis costs for the building on this City property.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor _____; Seconded by Councilor _____
Roll call Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

MEETING ADJOURNED: _____